

PATENT Customer No. 22,852 Attorney Docket No. 8049.0010-00

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IN THE UNITED	STATES	PATENT	AND TRADEM	IARK OFFICE

4-17-03 a. situ In re Application of: Oscar L. AVANT et al. Group Art Unit: 2876 Application No.: 09/651,323 Examiner: Ahshik KIM Filed: August 31, 2000 TECHNOLOGY CENTER 2800 For: **APPARATUS AND METHODS** FOR IDENTIFYING A MAILPIECE USING AN IDENTIFICATION CODE Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231 Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a three month extension of time to reply to the Final Office Action of October 15, 2002. A fee of \$930.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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